

**Soft Landscaping Proposals** 

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For Waltonwagner Ltd

Site 79 Avenue Road, London, NW8 6JD.

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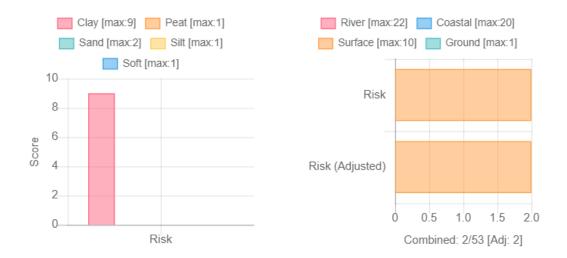
### **1.0 Soft Landscaping Proposal**

Cantia Arboricultural Services have been asked to provide a soft landscaping plan to discharge condition 10 of the application for 79 Avenue Road, London, NW8 6JD.

Soft landscape proposals are based on the principles as set out in the landscape plan CAS/2021/169.

The brief was to provide a species selection of predominantly native species which would enhance the aesthetic contribution of the site, both to the property owners and within the public realm by providing additional screening, seasonal colour and habitat provision.

Soil analysis provided by Terrasure/Airbus revealed that the site has heavy clay content (5/9) with a low risk of surface flooding (2/53). These factors have been considered for species selection.



## 2.0 Species Selection

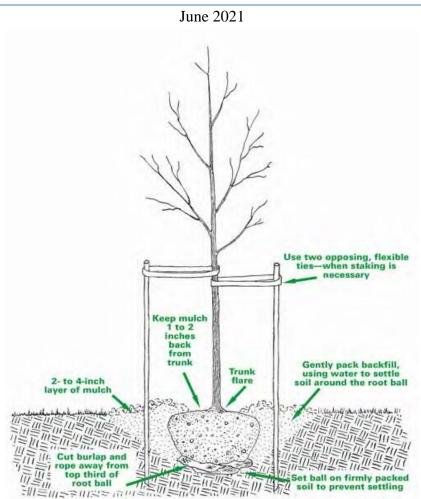
Species	Size	Density
Grassed Area	303 sq m	As Required
Acer campestre 'lineco' –	10-12cm Girth Container	Two Individuals
Field Maple	Grown	
Liquidamber Styraciflua	10-12cm Girth Container	One Individual
'Slender silhouette' –	Grown	
Sweet Gum		
Magnolia x loebneri	10-12cm Girth Container	Three Individuals
Leonard Messel –	Grown	
Magnolia		
Prunus 'Pink Perfection'-	12-14cm Girth Container	One Individual
Flowering Cherry	Grown	
Carpinus betulus –	90cm Whips	80 Individuals
Hornbeam Hedging		(Planted 4 per metre in
		double staggered line )
Escallonia iveyi -	5L Pot – Container	48 Individuals
Escallonia Hedging	Grown	(Planted 4 per metre in
		double staggered line )

#### **3.0** Planting and Implementation

### **Individual trees**

Individual trees shall be planted as follows-

- Planting to be carried out between November and March.
- Trees should be planted in areas previously cleared of all weeds, grass and vegetation.
- The trees are to be of selected size, see planting schedule. Stock to be checked as per BS 8545
- Trees should be planted with root directors in planting holes at least 1.5 times the length of the root system or 1.2m x 1.2m (whichever is greater) and to a depth of 900mm. Topsoil should be mixed with a minimum of 20 litres of suitable tree planting compost and replaced carefully around the roots and lightly compacted every 150mm layer.
- Trees should be supported with a treated timber stake and rubber ties with adequate guards against rabbit/ deer.
- It is recommended that trees be maintained for a period of three years after planting. Ensure adequate watering and fertilising is carried out to ensure good establishment and an area around the tree of 1.5m is kept free from weeds.
- Failed planting to be replaced up to a period of five years.



#### **Grassed Area**

All turf products use following guidelines-

- All topsoil areas to be cleared of weed and detritus and rotovated to a depth of 100mm and cross harrowed to produce a fine tilth and consolidated lightly with a roller. Do not carry out ploughing, ripping or tipping of soil within branch spread of exiting trees but prepare ground in a manner to avoid root damage.
- Unless otherwise stated finished levels of grassed areas shall be 50mm above any adjoining paving or kerb levels and 150mm below any damp course

level. Levels shall be arranged to give gentle falls for drainage with any hollows developing post installation made good.

- Contractor should supply and spread a pre-germination fertiliser (turf areas only) at the manufacturers recommended rate and method.
- If required an approved herbicide may be applied.
- Turf should be supplies in accordance with BS 3969
- Turves should be wheeled to the required area on planks closely laid side by side. Laid directly onto the prepared surface and firmed into position in consecutive rows with broken joints closely butted together and to correct levels. A dressing of fine sandy soil should be applied and brushed into joints. Levels should be adjusted as and where required by raking or packing fine soil under turves.
- Any shrinkage should be dealt with applying fine sandy topsoil into the joints.
- Watering should avoid over use to prevent washing from soil joints, oscillating sprays or sprinklers are best used.

For seed products use following guidelines

- Light harrow and flat roll alternatively in two directions crosswise to produce a level fine smooth formed seedbed
- Collect all surface stones exceeding 10mm and remove from site
- Apply appropriate pre-seeding fertiliser and apply to manufactures rate
- Sow specified areas at the prescribed rate. Seed quantity should be halved and applied in two equal sowings in transverse directions
- Lightly harrow seed 2 times in two directions crosswise into the surface

- Collect and remove all stones exceeding 10mm
- Finally roll 2 times with a light flat roller.

Any failed grass areas/depressions and or sinkage should be made good for a period of twelve months after initial installation.

### Hornbeam Hedging

- Planting best carried out between November and March
- Dig trench 600mm wide and 250mm deep and add soil ameliorants to comply with BS 4428
- Whips to be 90cm high bare root healthy and vigorous to be planted in double staggered row with 450mm between each tree and 250mm between the rows with 4 No plants minimum per meter and supported by 750mm stake. Ensure whilst planting that the trees remain in a plastic and light proof bag to prevent drying out.
- Apply a proprietary poly-mulch 600mm wide around the base of the trees running the entire length of the new hedge, pegging around the base of each specimen and digging in at the edges to 150mm.
- The hedge is to be maintained for a period of 3 years following planting, ensuring adequate watering and fertilising is carried out to ensure good establishment and that all dead, diseased or damaged plants are replaced annually where required.
- Failed planting to be replaced up to a period of 5 years.

### **Escallonia Hedging**

- Planting best carried out between November and March
- Dig trench 600mm wide and 250mm deep and add soil ameliorants to comply with BS 4428
- Plants to be container grown in 5L pots, healthy and vigorous to be planted in double staggered row with 450mm between each tree and 250mm between the rows with 4 No plants minimum per metre.
- Apply a proprietary poly-mulch 600mm wide around the base of the trees running the entire length of the new hedge, pegging around the base of each specimen and digging in at the edges to 150mm.
- The hedge is to be maintained for a period of 3 years following planting, ensuring adequate watering and fertilising is carried out to ensure good establishment and that all dead, diseased or damaged plants are replaced annually where required.
- Failed planting to be replaced up to a period of 5 years.

Evidence of planting should be submitted to the LPA in order to satisfy and clear.

## 4.0 Maintenance Programme

Season	Grass	Trees	Hedging
Spring	Application of Lawn	Re-apply mulch as needed.	Re-mulching of beds(2-3")
	Feed & Moss control	Apply fertiliser & fresh mulch (2-	Application of fertiliser.
	from beginning of	3")	Water at intervals (frequency
	April.	Water at intervals (frequency	dependant on weather) to
	Dress / re-seed	dependant on weather) to retain	retain moisture in soil.
	patches.	moisture in soil.	Trimming in late Spring if new
	Bi-weekly cut		growth is excessive.
Summer	Regular cuts at	Water at intervals (frequency	Water at intervals (frequency
	approx. 2.5cm	dependant on weather) to retain	dependant on weather) to
		moisture in soil.	retain moisture in soil.
		Formative pruning of fruit species	
		to take place July-August	
Autumn	Seed patches	Apply fertiliser	Re-mulching of beds (2-3")
	Rake clean of leaves	Rake / Remove fallen leaves.	Water at intervals (frequency
	Apply Autumn feed	Re-apply mulch as needed (2-3")	dependant on weather) to
			retain moisture in soil.
			Trimming of annual growth to
			retain desired shape.
Winte	No Action	Formative pruning of non-fruit	No action required.
		species must be undertaken in the	
		dormant season (Dec-Feb)	
		removing any sections of the	
		canopy likely to lead to conflict	
		between the tree and adjacent	
		infrastructure, or any limbs which	
		are likely to lead to bio-	
		mechanical features indicative of	
		problematic issues in later life eg	
		rubbing branches.	

